Many small businesses and millions of consumers rely on competitive local exchange carriers to service their DSL, Data, and Voice needs because these market competitors do a much better job of meeting the needs of the customers with flexible pricing, special offerings, and stratospherically higher levels of service. Cable and Satellite ISP's are often unsuitable for business use, which means that many business would have to rely upon these vestigial government monopolies for their needs.

Why reward the ILEC's for their unlawful intransigence and utter incompetence in meeting the needs of their customers? What these dinosaurs need is *more* exposure to the marketplace, not a government santioned preserve.